

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA**

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ORGANISATION OF WORKSHOPS/ SEMINARS
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Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Government provides assistance for organizing workshops, seminars, exhibitions and fairs for creating awareness about potentials and possibilities of food processing industries and for conducting studies and surveys on such industries;
- (b) If so, the amount allocated and spent thereon during each of the last three years, State-wise ;
- (c) The details of such programmes organized in each State during the last three years; and
- (d) The number of persons benefited thereby ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHA)

(a): Yes Sir. The Government provides assistance for organizing workshop, seminar, exhibition and fairs for creating awareness about potentials and possibilities of food processing industries and for conducting studies and surveys on such industries. The pattern of assistance is 50 % of cost subject to a maximum of Rs 1.00 Lakh in case of Exhibition/fairs/ Seminar/Workshop and Rs 3.00 Lakh for Studies/Surveys/Feasibility Reports. When the Ministry sponsors/co-sponsors Exhibition/Fairs/ Seminar/Workshop or commissions studies/surveys/feasibility report there would be no ceiling to the financial assistance provided.

(btod): A statement indicating state-wise and year wise expenditure and numbers of programmes organized is enclosed. Since it is an awareness Scheme, the number of beneficiaries cannot be quantified.